

Veluws dialect

Veluws is a Dutch Low Saxon dialect which is spoken on the Veluwe. The language was recognized by the government of the Netherlands in 1996 (as being part of Low Saxonian).^[1]

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Geographic distribution

Veluws is spoken in the Central Netherlands, in the Northwest of Gelderland.

Dialects



Frans Nieuwenhuis (born 1936) sings in Veluws dialect.

Veluws is usually divided into two main dialects, West-Veluws (West Veluws) and Oost-Veluws (East Veluws), these two dialects are reasonably similar but differ in grammar. For example: in Oost-Veluws they say *ie warkt/wärkt* (you are working) and in West-Veluws *jie warken/waarken* (you are working).

Lexical similarities

West-Veluws is also more influenced by Dutch. The closer one gets to the border with Oost-Veluws, the result usually results in more the dialects differed from Standard Dutch. For example, in the central part where West-Veluws is spoken they say *hie staot*,

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Native to	Netherlands
Language family	Indo-European <ul style="list-style-type: none">Germanic<ul style="list-style-type: none">West Germanic<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ingvaeonic<ul style="list-style-type: none">Low Saxon<ul style="list-style-type: none">Dutch Low Saxon<ul style="list-style-type: none">Veluws
Official status	
Official language in	Netherlands Recognized in 1996 (as being part of Low Saxonian). ^[1]
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	vel
Glottolog	velu1238 (http://glottolog.org/resource/language/id/velu1238) ^[2]

in the North Western part they say *hij steet* compared to *hij/hee stiet* 'he is standing' in Oost-Veluws, this already has a more Low Saxon influence. Hattem, the North Eastern part where & when Oost-Veluws is spoken, it seems to "have" or in the direct mentioned, 'has a' Sallandic influence.

Classification

It is not well defined what constitutes a language versus a dialect, but Veluws is generally considered to be a dialect of Low Saxon, classified Indo-European, Germanic, West, Low Saxon-Low Franconian, Low Saxon.^[1]

See also

- West-Veluws dialect
- Oost-Veluws dialect

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Geographical location of Veluws (colour: *light green*) among the other minority and regional languages and dialects of the Benelux countries

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